



BALTIMORE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS

ROBERT E. LEE PARK

1000 Lakeside Drive, Baltimore, MD 21209



ROBERT E LEE PARK
NATURE COUNCIL

Fall 2012 Programs

Registration is limited and required for all programs except bird walks.
Call 410-887-4156 to register.

Tuesday Bird Walks

Every Tuesday beginning August 28 until October 23, 8:00am.
Free, no registration required.

Join members of the Baltimore Bird Club as they explore a variety of habitats while searching for songbirds, shorebirds and raptors. This program meets at the boardwalk entrance (MTA/Light Rail parking lot) at 8:00 am and is canceled if there is rain or wind. For information, contact Kevin Graff at keyweststyle2001@gmail.com.

Preschool Nature Hour

Tuesdays, beginning September 4, 10-11am.
Ages 3-5, \$25 for all six meetings or \$20 for members.

Parents and children can join a Naturalist for a fun-filled nature hour and create wonderful nature crafts, meet animals up close and explore the park.

Let's Dance!

Saturday, September 8, 2-4pm
Ages 6-12 years, free.

We'll twirl, skip, and tiptoe for an hour of dance outdoors with ribbons and props. You don't need previous dance instruction - we'll practice basic movements and create a dance.

Habitat & Trail Team

2nd Saturday of the month, September - December, 9:30-11:30am
Ages 14 and up, free.

Join a ranger and the Habitat & Trail Team as you help maintain the beauty of Robert E Lee Park. We have some of the best trails in Baltimore, so come get your hands dirty! Please wear closed-toe shoes and bring water.

Nature Scouts

Tuesdays, beginning September 11, 4:30-5:30pm or
Thursdays, beginning September 13, 4:30-5:30pm
Ages 6-12, \$25 for all six meetings or \$20 for members.

(Nature Scouts continued)

Rangers will teach children the important skills every child should know. They will learn to fish, make walking sticks, use a compass, whistle, dig for fossils, track animals, play in the woods and much more.

Nature Princesses

Wednesdays, beginning September 19, 4:30-5:30pm.
Ages 4-7, \$25 for six sessions, \$20 for members.

Dress up as your favorite princess and join a naturalist to explore the park. Princesses will catch butterflies, explore streams, enjoy crafts, face painting, stories and more.

Family Campout

Friday, September 21, 6:00pm - Saturday, September 22, 9:30am
(rain date: September 22-23)
\$5 per person, \$3 for members.

Beginning and experienced campers will enjoy a fun-filled campout led by Park Rangers. Campers can bring their dinner with them or bring food to cook over the campfire. Sunday breakfast will be provided. If you do not have your own tent, ask about tents that are available to borrow.

Tree and Wildflower Walk

Sunday, September 23, 2-4pm
Ages 10 and up, free

Join naturalist and Maryland Native Plant Society member Dwight Johnson on a walk to explore the trees and wildflowers of Robert E. Lee Park.

Natural Play

Saturday, September 29, 2-4pm
Ages 6-12, free

We'll use what we find in nature for movement and fitness activities. We'll use logs, rocks, water, and the trails for running, climbing, balancing, crawling, carrying, and more!

Trains, Water Power and Black Powder

Saturday, October 6 or Sunday, October 7, 2-4:00pm
Free

Come hear and see the many layers of history, some which is literally buried in the sediment. This two hour easy walk begins at the dam which was one of the most significant public works projects of its time.

Canoe/Kayak Tour

Saturday, October 13, 2-4pm
(raindate October 14)

Bring your own boat for this ranger-led paddle around Lake Roland. Explore the lake while looking for wildlife and learning the history of Baltimore's first public reservoir. All participants must wear a life jacket and participants under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

Hike the Serpentine

Sunday, Oct. 21
Ages 8 and up, 9am-11am
Free

Come hike the back trails and explore the upland forest and catch sight of rare serpentine landscape. Please wear closed toed shoes and bring water. Trail surface: packed dirt, with rocky incline. Difficulty: Moderate

All Hallows' Eve Campfire

Saturday, October 27, 6-8pm
Ages 5 and up, \$3 per person

(All Hallows' Eve Campfire continued)

Why are witches and goblins a part of Halloween? Hear how Halloween evolved from ancient nature celebrations. On a night hike we'll look for traditional symbols: spiders, bats, and fall leaves. The evening will end with a campfire and s'mores.

Fall Campfire

Friday, November 16, 6-8pm
Ages 5 and up, \$3 per person

Look for nighttime creatures while enjoying a fall hike through the park. End the night cooking a sweet treat over the campfire and engaging in campfire fun!

Kids' Night Out at the Park

Thursday, December 20, 6-9pm
Ages 6-10, \$10 per child

Drop off the kids for a few hours while you shop. Children can make wonderful nature crafts, look for night time creatures, make ice cream sundaes and participate in holiday activities. Registration is limited, sign up early.

Winter Solstice Campfire

Friday, December 21, 6-8pm
Ages 5 and up, \$3 per person

Winter days become longer again after the Solstice (Dec 21). Celebrate with us at the park: learn what a Solstice is, explore what's green & living this time of year. After a night hike enjoy s'mores by the fire.



Program Registration Form

Before sending this form: Please check the status of programs by calling 410-887-4156 (as they may be filled). If making a phone reservation, payment must be received within 7 days to confirm your registration. If you are unable to attend a program, please cancel your reservation to allow others to participate.

Date	Name(s)	Phone Number	Program Name & Date	# in Group	Cost Each	Total

Advanced registration is required for all programs.

Programs begin promptly at start time.

- All payments are donations & are non-refundable unless RELP cancels the program.
- Organizations and large groups must schedule programs separately from the programs (for families) listed in this publication.
- Balto. Co. Dept. of Rec. & Parks, RELP, its staff, & volunteers are not liable for loss, theft, or damage to personal property.

Rain/Inclement Weather Policy.

- All events are rain or shine unless a rain date is specified.
- Program leaders determine cancellations on the day of programs.

We reserve the right to deny any visitor the privilege to participate based on behavior that could jeopardize the safety of that individual or the group.

Please send payment and form to: Robert E. Lee Park Nature Council, 1114 Shawan Road, Cockeysville, MD 21030

Should you require special accommodations (i.e., language interpreter, large print, etc.) please give as much notice as possible by calling the Agriculture, Nature and Special Facilities Regional Office 410-887-4156, or the Therapeutic Office at 410-887-5370/ TDD: 410-877-5319.